

GIVE AUTOISTS TIME TO LEARN NEW LAW

Police Will Suspend Arrests Pending Campaign of Education.

MAJ. PULLMAN FAVORS ANY JUST MODIFICATION

Declares His Sole Aim Is to Do Greatest Good to the Greatest Number.

In order to give autoists ample time in which to become acquainted with the law governing the movements of vehicles on streets on which center parking has been established, more especially that part which deals with the stopping of vehicles at the curb, the District authorities have directed a temporary suspension of arrests and prosecutions. Maj. Pullman, superintendent of police, thinks a campaign of education will acquaint drivers of vehicles of the provisions of the law and make it unnecessary to arrest any of them.

Signs are to be placed in positions along such thoroughfares containing the necessary notification of the regulation. Maj. Pullman stated yesterday, and he thinks that in a short while the drivers of vehicles will be willing to observe the regulation and will not look upon it as being one that is difficult to obey.

For "Reasonable Modification."

Discussing the protest against the regulation placing a limit on the time vehicles may stand at the curb on streets where there are center parking spaces, Maj. Pullman said he would favor any reasonable modification of the regulation that will improve conditions. His object, he said, is to do the greatest amount of good to the greatest number.

He said that on the south side of Pennsylvania avenue between 9th and 10th streets, where, he said, center parking would hamper the business of storage houses, such parking is not permitted. There is ample space between the outer line of the center parking space and the curb along Pennsylvania avenue, he said, to accommodate the fire department and vehicular traffic generally, that space being much wider than many streets in some of the larger cities.

Approved by Traffic Experts.

Maj. Pullman said he thought after a warning being given for a reasonable length of time there will be a general observance of the regulation. Some of the best traffic experts in the country, he said, have approved the center parking regulation in this city.

The establishment of the center parking, the superintendent of police suggested, had been the means of keeping the space along the curb clear for patrons of business houses, and had done away with the "curb graft," as he referred to money paid for use of the public street by owners of vehicles.

Then again, he suggested, the speed on Pennsylvania avenue has been materially reduced, and there will be no more racing at thirty or forty miles along that thoroughfare at night. It also provides automatic safety zones. Maj. Pullman said there are about 12,000 automobiles in this city, and it is necessary to make some provision for parking them. In Detroit, he said, trees have been cut out of public parks to provide parking spaces.

ONE BOY KILLED, SECOND INJURED BY AUTO TRUCK

Lads Fall in Front of Heavy Vehicle While Playing on 5th Street.

Wilbert H. Washington, colored, twelve years old, 1825 4th street northwest, yesterday afternoon was run over by a motor truck at Florida avenue and 5th street northwest and killed almost instantly. Robert Jones, colored, nine years old, 1822 4th street northwest, a companion of Washington, was struck by the truck and slightly hurt. He was treated by a physician from Freedmen's Hospital.

The truck that killed one boy and injured another, the police reported, belongs to John C. Smith and was in charge of Otis Wylie, colored, twenty-six years, 200 1/2 Bryant street northwest.

It is said that the boys were playing and that they fell and slid against the heavy truck. Washington, in the lead, falling so that one wheel of the vehicle passed over his head. He was dead when a passing physician stopped and examined his body. Jones sustained an injury to his ankle.

Wylie was taken to the eighth precinct police station and is being held to await the result of an inquest that will be held at the morgue tomorrow morning at 11:30 o'clock. Washington's body was taken to the morgue last night.

DIRT AND SCALE IN BOILERS.

Reason Assigned for Recent Breakdown of Steamship Minnesota.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 18.—Grease, dirt and much scale found in the boiler tubes of the Great Northern steamship Minnesota, were responsible for the vessel's recent breakdown. Federal inspectors working on the case said today. The examination continued today, but without expectation of finding further evidence of what stopped the liner off the coast of Lower California, en route from Seattle to London.

At the time of the accident C. W. Wiley, marine superintendent of the Great Northern, asserted that the blowouts were caused by foreign matter in the boiler and suggested acids.

ADVANCE IN RATES OPPOSED.

Fight in West Virginia on Proposal by Railroads.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., December 18.—The West Virginia public service commission and coal interests of the state will fight the efforts of railroads to increase the rates on coal consigned from this district to western points and will ask the interstate commerce commission to investigate rates now in effect in the east, according to an announcement by S. B. Avis, chief counsel for the service commission.

Tariffs for the proposed increase to the west were filed in Washington this week, to be effective January 20. Counsel for the West Virginia commission, coal companies and others interested in the fight to prevent an advance will meet in Washington next Tuesday to plan a fight against the movement made by the carriers.

Hecht & Co.—The Big Store of Practical Xmas Gifts

For the Convenience of Those Who Cannot Shop During the Day the Store Will Remain Open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday Evenings Until 9 O'Clock. Close 6 P.M. Christmas Eve.

Crepe de Chine Envelope Chemises, \$1.95

Real Silk Crepe de Chine. A very dainty undergarment that will delight any woman. Of pale pink or white crepe de chine, elaborately trimmed in shadow laces and pale blue ribbons. Third Floor—Annex.

Beacon Blanket Bath Robes, \$2.49

Made with a great deal of care, not merely sewn together. Light and dark figured effect, with shawl collars, cuffs and pockets; including heavy rope girdle is finished with tassels. Third Floor—Annex.

Men's Wool Sweaters, \$2.79 to \$8.98

Made by the Pennsylvania Knitting Mills, with notair buttonholes, with and without collars. Some have pockets. First Floor.

Women's \$1.00 and \$1.25 Silk Stockings 79c

Full Fashioned Pure Silk Stockings, with double garter tops, heels, toes and soles. In all the new and desirable colors, including black. Every pair in a holiday box. First Floor.

Jewel Cases \$1.29

Of old gold, prettily lined with colored silks.

Manicure Sets of Parisian Ivory, \$2.98

Seven pieces in a neat silk-lined box as follows: Two nail files, buffer, scissors, cuticle knife, nail file and button hook. First Floor.

\$1.89 Undermuslins, \$1.25

Exquisitely made of fine gowns, combinations and envelope chemises of extra fine French batiste, variously and most artistically trimmed in val lace or Swiss embroidery; set-in lace medallions with wash ribbon bows and draw string. Each garment in a holly box. Third Floor Annex.

A Silk Petticoat Makes \$2.29 An Ideal Gift

A wonderfully pretty assortment from which to pick "her" favorite color. Finished with deep ruffle and flounce. Each underskirt in a holly box. Second Floor.

Men's Blanket Bath Robes, \$3.98

New button-front styles, of heavy Beacon blanket cloth, finished with cord girdle, tassels and pockets. In all the color combinations a man likes. First Floor.

Women's Fur-Trimmed Juliets 95c

Good quality felt, in black and every color imaginable; leather turned soles and leather heels. Each pair in a holly box, with a Christmas card. Third Floor.

Choosing Gift Furs Is a Pleasure Here

\$98.00 Persian Caracul Coats, \$52.50

Magnificently made of long, curly, lustrous Persian caracul pelts, superbly lined with fancy silk poplin; large convertible collar of genuine ermine, genuine fitch or natural skunk, coon, with deep cuffs to match. Generous wide flare models.

\$89.50 French Seal Coats, \$67.50

Of selected dyed pelts, three-quarter-length swag-er ripple model; self-notched collar, convertible at will. Fancy guaranteed linings.

Genuine American Fox Sets, \$43.75

Well worth \$75.00. Choice of red or black fox. Sets of great beauty, made from magnificent pelts. Animal effect, with head, tail and feet trimmed.

\$10.00 White Iceland Fox Scarfs, \$6.85

In the smartest full, round animal effect. Head, tail and feet trimmed. Guaranteed not to become curly.

Our Christmas Present to the Boys and Girls



With every purchase of boys' or girls' clothes amounting to \$3.00 or over we'll present this cut-out Automobile and Garage—made of extra heavy cardboard, all cut out, ready to put together.

Salt's Esquimette Plush Coats \$26.85

Regular \$34.50 Models for Monday, Only ---

Our stock of Plush Coats is creating no end of comment. We have the coats—plenty of them—despite the rumors in circulation that plush is scarce. We have the ultra styles and our prices are right.

If you are in a quandary as to what to present mother, sister or sweetheart for Christmas, show your good taste and select one of these beautiful coats at \$26.85.

Newest ripple flare models; chin chin collar of fur or self material; guaranteed linings; also interlining; plush buttons.

Others up to \$49.50

Lots of Useful and Givable Things in the Neglige Section Linked With Small Prices

Boudoir Caps, 25c to 98c

Adorable little Caps of lace or satin, trimmed with satin ribbon and small flowers.

Thousands of Gift Aprons at 25c

Of Persian lawn and crossbarred muslin; round, square and diamond shape—every kind of Apron for every occasion is here; Swiss embroidery and val lace trimmed; also long-waisted Aprons, with or without bib.

Hundreds of Others a Little More Elaborate, 50c and 75c.

89c Corset Covers, 69c

Beautifully fashioned of fine quality nainsook, trimmed in dainty lace and ribbon; some have set-in sleeves of lace.

50c Flannelette Dressing Sacques, 29c

In pretty floral and Persian patterns, in color combinations of lavender, pink, blue, gray, etc.; shirred waist and roll collar; sizes 36 to 44.

Silk Beaver, Silk Velvet and White Satin Untrimmed Hats.... 95c

Regularly \$2.00 to \$4.00

This sale is causing some talk among Washington women—and why not? It is something quite out of the ordinary to buy such charming hats for so little.

All the newest and last minute shapes are shown—large, medium, turbans and the popular continentals. Choice tomorrow at 95c.

Trimmed Hats One-Half Price

Of silk velvet, hatter's plush, etc.; trimmed with fur, flowers, aigrettes, ribbons, jet, etc.

Chic and New Trimmed Hats at \$5.00

Regular \$6 to \$9 values; real creations of meline and jet, gold lace, fur and flower trimmings.

"Meet Me Tomorrow in Toyland on the Third Floor. I Am Going to Be Real Busy. So Come Early."—SANTA CLAUS

Among the Dolls

Dolls at 25c Unbreakable and Jointed Dolls in great variety. Imported Jointed Dolls, also character Dolls, \$1.98

Unbreakable, Hand-dressed Dolls, Special, 89c

Dressed Doll Beds 89c

Toy Bureaus & Chiffoniers 98c

Daisy Air Rifle and Poppens 47c

Iron Toys, 25c to \$1.98

\$4.00 Imported Jointed Dolls. Special \$2.98 at

A Table of Toys at 25c Pewter Dishes, Games, Blocks, Furniture, Sigs Soldiers, Checkboards, Paint Boxes, Books, etc.

Schoenhut Baby Grand Pianos, 15-key \$1.50 12-key 98c

Game of India, 25c

Lead Soldiers, 49c to \$2.98

\$5 Rubber-tired Hand Cars \$3.98

Great fun and exercise for the boy.

A Table of Toys at 49c Games, Tea Sets, Rubber Bouncing Balls, Metalphone, Soldiers, Picture Puzzles, Iron Toys, etc.

Wheelbarrows, 45c and 68c.

Large Tool Chests 89c

Tool Kits 98c

Rubber-tired Tricycles \$6.98

6-Key Planos 21c

Iron Express Wagons, \$1.39 and \$1.79

Strongly made with hardwood bottom. Nicely painted.

Wood Express Wagons, \$1.59

Large Size Wood Wagons, \$1.98.

A Hocking Horse Affords Endless Enjoyment. \$9.00

Horses reduced \$5.98

Plush covered with strong supports. Flowing mane and tail.

---Ready Tomorrow--- 500 Women's Coats Just Arrived

A Coat for every occasion—for street wear, shopping, motoring, formal or informal wear. A grand assortment offered in one big sale tomorrow and four attractive price groups.

Women's \$15.98 to \$19.50 FUR COLLAR COATS \$12.95

Cleverly styled Coats of cheviot, in navy blue and black; extremely ripple flare, with fitted waist; double row of buttons down front; military fashion; cozy chin-chin collar of skunk opossum. Another style is of astrax (fur fabric), full lined; four-inch fur chin-chin collar; full flaring; fastened with braid loops.

Splendid All-Wool Coats, \$7.95

For general utility and street wear, of novelty two-toned boucle in shades of gray and brown; handsome plush collar and cuffs; collar can be worn high or low.

Women's \$19.50 to \$24.50 Coats \$15.45

Of novelty striped persiana, full lined; collar is of silky fur, chin-chin style; full ripple flare model. Another style is of all-wool English cheviot, in gray and brown checks; large belt; convertible collar; novelty double cuffs. Still another style is of manish double-faced chinchilla, a smart flare model, with chin-chin collar of velvet.

\$24.50 Corduroy Fur-Trimmed Coats \$17.90

Superb styles of wide-wale velvet corduroy, with high and luxurious chin-chin collar of Manchurian wolf. This coat has a decided ripple flare that is mighty swaggy; double cuffs and plush buttons.

Just Such Suits as the Best Dressed Washington Women Are Picking Out for Their Winter Wardrobes, \$19.95

The material is a very fine quality, high-luster broadcloth and French whipcords, in shades of tan, green, brown, navy and black. Full flare long-coats, lined with peau de cygne and satin. Nipped in at the waist. Skunk opossum fur collar and cuffs. Regular price, \$29.50. Be free to examine these suits and compare them with those shown elsewhere. It will be the quickest and best way of assuring yourself of the extraordinary character of this event.

A Great White Wave of IVORY



After a season of bronze, black and the dull colored boots women will welcome this dainty boot of elephant tusk ivory. It is destined to be most popular for late winter and early spring. We are now showing these advance shoe creations. The one pictured is of very fine ivory kid, with leather Louis XV heel, extra light-weight flexible soles—8 1/2 inches in height. Another new features is the built-in close-fitting heel seat that hugs the heel and allows for greater freedom of the toes.

Choice of side lace and button.

The price is Eight Dollars

Exquisite New Blouses at \$1.19

Of values in the lowest of styles. They'll win your instant admiration. Nothing better for gift purposes. Each in a holly box. —Second Floor.

Men's Silk and Knitted Reefers \$1 to \$4

One of these rich looking reefers would make a splendid gift for any man. In black and white accented with effects, black and white stripes and plain gray and black. First Floor.

Tan Cowhide Handbags \$5.95

Choice of Handbag or Case. Lined with leather. Braced and trimmed. Third Floor.

Men's Romcos, \$2.00

Of black or tan kid; flexible leather soles and kid lined. In all sizes. Every pair in a holly box. Third Floor.

Boys' Indian and Cowboy Play Suits, 50c

Made of good quality khaki; sizes 6, 8 and 10 years only. The cowboy suit consists of shirt, trousers and hat. The Indian suit consists of trimmed shirt, trousers and feather headband. First Floor.

Men's Notair Hose, 4 Pairs for \$1.00

A practical gift for a man. In black and assorted colors. Guaranteed to give satisfactory wear or we'll make good. First Floor.

Men's Gloria Umbrellas, \$1.49

Made of good quality gloria on a paragon frames, assorted hardwood handles, sterling silver trimmings, complete with a silk case. First Floor.

Rich, New Scarfs, 55c

You could not pick a bad one if you tried. All big and generously cut, of striped and figured silks. Each tie in a box.

Boys' Raincoats and Hat to Match, \$3.95

Good quality rubberized cloth; warranted water proof; finished with strapped seams; sizes 6 to 18 years. Son's winter hat to match. A dandy rainy day outfit for the boy. First Floor.

Women's Initial Handkerchiefs, 75c For Six

Always a pleasing and acceptable remembrance. Any initial embroidered in red in corner.

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